

## Approval for Projects Seeking Funding through 2009-2011 Accelerated PSAR Grant Round Agenda Item #2

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Approved

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**Proposed Action:** Decision

### Summary:

The 2009-2011 state capital budget includes \$33 million for Puget Sound Acquisition and Restoration (PSAR) to accelerate implementation of the Puget Sound Salmon Recovery Plan. The budget directs the Salmon Recovery Funding Board (SRFB) to distribute these funds in coordination with the Puget Sound Partnership.

At the Puget Sound Partnership's (PSP) request, SRFB reviewed and approved funding for five projects as part of an accelerated grant round in the PSAR grant program to implement projects in the 2009 construction season, pending review and approval by the Leadership Council, and the Puget Sound Salmon Recovery Council at its June 4, 2009 meeting, and the SRFB Technical Review Panel, as necessary. With SRFB approval, the Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) director has authority to enter into project agreements to take effect after July 1, 2009.

PSP staff request the Leadership Council's approval of the decision to fund these five projects. The Leadership Council is not being asked to evaluate the substance of these projects, but rather to support the process at the watershed scale, Salmon Recovery Council, and the Salmon Recovery Funding Board that develops and evaluates these projects.

### Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends the Leadership Council approve the process for the following projects, which were already approved by the SRFB on May 14:

- Funding for projects #09-1400, Tatrimima Trust Shoreline Acquisition and project #09-1383, Knotweed Control, contingent upon review and approval by the Puget Sound Salmon Recovery Council.
- Funding for projects #07-1631, Skokomish Estuary Island Restoration and project #09-1438, Little Quilcene River Delta Cone Removal, contingent upon review and approval by the SRFB technical review panel and the Puget Sound Salmon Recovery Council.

- Funding for SRFB-approved portion of project #09-1393, Mashel Eatonville Restoration Phase 2, contingent upon review and approval by the Puget Sound Salmon Recovery Council, and approval of funding for the entire project contingent upon further review and approval by the SRFB technical review panel.

### **Background:**

Ordinarily, the sequence of approvals for projects submitted by watersheds would be first the Recovery Council, then the Leadership Council, and finally the Salmon Recovery Funding Board. For this accelerated round of project funding, we are taking this in reverse order, with each approval contingent on all other entities approving. This allows the use of regularly scheduled meetings of each body, and provides for project approval in a time for this construction season. This order of approval also eliminates the need for calling special meetings of each body.

<b>Project #</b>	<b>Lead Entity</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project Sponsor</b>	<b>PSAR Request</b>	<b>Sponsor Match</b>	<b>Total</b>
09-1400	Nisqually River Salmon Recovery	Tatrimima Shoreline Protection	Nisqually Land Trust	\$334,922	\$60,118	\$395,040
09-1383	Nisqually River Salmon Recovery	Nisqually River Knotweed CWMA	Pierce County Noxious Weed Control Board	\$66,500	\$11,850	\$78,350
09-1393	Nisqually River Salmon Recovery	Mashel Eatonville Restoration Phase 2	Nisqually Indian Tribe	\$1,165,573	\$216,829	\$1,382,402
09-1438	Hood Canal Coordinating Council	Little Quilcene River Delta Cone Removal	Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group	\$1,007,854	\$178,000	\$1,185,854
07-1631	Hood Canal Coordinating Council	Skokomish Estuary Island Restoration	Skokomish Indian Tribe	\$1,700,000	\$300,000	\$2,000,000